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Letter dated 11 January 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I transmit to you herewith a statistical table showing the number of Israeli violations of Lebanese sovereignty which occurred during December 2004.

These grave violations are part of a series of persistent and provocative Israeli violations of Lebanese territory and airspace, and go against the principles of international law, the resolutions of international legitimacy and your repeated calls for their cessation.

In the light of these violations and the escalation of Israeli threats to Lebanon and the safety of its territory and its citizens, Lebanon calls upon the United Nations to deter and prevent Israel from such dangerous acts, which pose a threat to international peace and security. Lebanon places upon Israel full responsibility for any consequences of these acts.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 36 and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Sami **Kronfol**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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Statistical table showing the number of Israeli violations during December 2004

Air violations				*Sea violations*	*Land violations*			*Total violations*	*Remarks*
					Military acts of aggression	*Field violations*	*Breaches*		
Military jet	*Reconnaissance*	*Helicopter*	*Total*	*Crossing of territorial waters, artillery fire and shooting of flares over territorial waters*	*Air raids, artillery fire, shelling of military positions and important centres, attacks on and killing of civilians*	*Gunfire, shooting of flares, dropping of artillery missiles, infiltration and crossing of international borders*	*Threats on display of weapons, bulldozing of soil, placing of barbed wire and setting-up of installations inside Lebanese territory*		*Total violations in the previous month*
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